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H. R. 775

To amend title VI of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish a 1-year program to stimulate the economy by providing additional funding for the State water pollution control revolving fund program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 3, 1993

Ms. DELAURO (for herself and Mrs. LOWEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Public Works and Transportation

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Lowey-DeLauro Emer-
5 gency Infrastructure Jobs Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STATE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL REVOLVING**
2 **FUNDS.**

3 Title VI of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act
4 (33 U.S.C. 1381–1387) is amended by inserting at the
5 end the following new section:

6 **“SEC. 608. EMERGENCY ECONOMIC STIMULATION PRO-**
7 **GRAM.**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—In order to provide a short-term
9 stimulus to the economy of the United States, the Admin-
10 istrator shall make capitalization grants to each State
11 from funds appropriated pursuant to this section. Such
12 grants shall be made in accordance with and subject to
13 the provisions of this title unless otherwise provided in this
14 section.

15 “(b) SCHEDULE OF GRANT PAYMENTS.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The schedule of grant pay-
17 ments for grants made under this section shall be as
18 provided under section 601 except that such pay-
19 ments shall be made in semiannual installments in-
20 stead of quarterly installments.

21 “(2) FIRST INSTALLMENT.—The first semi-
22 annual installment shall be equal to 40 percent of
23 the amount of funds allotted to the State from funds
24 appropriated pursuant to this section and shall be
25 paid to the State not later than the 30th day follow-

1 ing the date on which funds are appropriated pursu-
2 ant to this section.

3 “(3) SECOND INSTALLMENT.—The second
4 semiannual installment shall be equal to 60 percent
5 of the amount of such allotted funds and shall be
6 paid to the State not later than the 180th day fol-
7 lowing such appropriation date.

8 “(c) CAPITALIZATION GRANT AGREEMENTS.—

9 “(1) SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS.—

10 “(A) EXISTING REQUIREMENTS.—Except
11 for the specific requirements set forth in para-
12 graphs (2) and (3) of section 602(b), the spe-
13 cific requirements set forth in such section shall
14 apply to capitalization grants made from funds
15 appropriated pursuant to this section. For pur-
16 poses of this section, the reference to quarterly
17 grant payments in paragraph (7) of such sec-
18 tion shall be treated as a reference to semi-
19 annual grant payments.

20 “(B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—

21 “(i) NUMBER OF AGREEMENTS.—The
22 Administrator shall enter into an agree-
23 ment under section 602(b) with a State
24 with respect to each of the semiannual

1 payments to be made to the State under
2 this section.

3 “(ii) FIRST AGREEMENT.—The Ad-
4 ministrator shall enter into the agreement
5 with respect to the first semiannual pay-
6 ment to be made to the State under this
7 section only after—

8 “(I) the State has entered into
9 binding commitments to provide as-
10 sistance in accordance with the re-
11 quirements of this title in fiscal year
12 1993 in an amount equal to 40 per-
13 cent of the funds allotted to the State
14 from funds appropriated pursuant to
15 section 607 for fiscal year 1993; and

16 “(II) the State has established to
17 the satisfaction of the Administrator
18 that it will enter into binding commit-
19 ments to provide assistance in accord-
20 ance with the requirements of this
21 title in an amount equal to 40 percent
22 of the amount allotted to the State
23 from funds appropriated pursuant to
24 this section within 6 months after the
25 date of such appropriation.

1 “(iii) SECOND AGREEMENT.—The Ad-
2 ministrators shall enter into the agreement
3 with respect to the second semiannual pay-
4 ment to be made to the State under this
5 section only after—

6 “(I) the State has entered into
7 binding commitments to provide as-
8 sistance in accordance with the re-
9 quirements of this title in fiscal year
10 1993 in an amount equal to 100 per-
11 cent of the funds allotted to the State
12 from funds appropriated pursuant to
13 section 607 for fiscal year 1993 (in-
14 cluding amounts counted with respect
15 to the meeting of the requirement of
16 clause (ii)(I) by the State);

17 “(II) the State has entered into
18 binding commitments to provide as-
19 sistance in accordance with the re-
20 quirements of this title of 40 percent
21 of the funds allotted to the State from
22 funds appropriated pursuant to this
23 section; and

24 “(III) the State has established
25 to the satisfaction of the Adminis-

1 trator that it will enter into binding
2 commitments to provide assistance in
3 accordance with the requirements of
4 this title in an amount equal to the
5 remaining 60 percent of the funds al-
6 lotted to the State from funds appro-
7 priated pursuant to this section within
8 1 year after the date of such appro-
9 priation.

10 “(2) WAIVER OF MATCHING FUND REQUIRE-
11 MENT.—Notwithstanding section 602(b), a State
12 shall not be required to deposit in its State water
13 pollution control revolving fund an amount equal to
14 at least 20 percent of the total amount of capitaliza-
15 tion grants made with funds appropriated pursuant
16 to this section.

17 “(d) ALLOTMENT PERIOD.—Notwithstanding section
18 604(c), sums allotted to a State from funds appropriated
19 pursuant to this section shall be available for obligation
20 by the State in accordance with the time periods set forth
21 in clauses (ii)(II) and (iii)(III) of subsection (c)(1)(B), re-
22 spectively. The amount of such allotment which is not obli-
23 gated by the State in accordance with such time periods
24 shall be immediately deposited in the Treasury of the
25 United States.

1 “(e) TYPES OF ASSISTANCE.—In addition to the
 2 types of assistance authorized by section 603(d), a State
 3 may use not to exceed 50 percent of the funds allotted
 4 to it from amounts appropriated pursuant to this section
 5 to subsidize not to exceed 90 percent of the principal por-
 6 tion of the amount of debt service required to be paid by
 7 an entity referred to in section 603(c) if such principle
 8 subsidy will be financed from interest earned on funds al-
 9 lotted to the State from amounts so appropriated, if such
 10 debt service is being incurred for a project eligible for as-
 11 sistance under this title, and if the State determines that
 12 such entity would be financially unable to carry out such
 13 project without such subsidy.

14 “(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In addi-
 15 tion to funds authorized to be appropriated by section 607,
 16 there is authorized to be appropriated to carry out the
 17 purposes of this title \$3,000,000,000 for fiscal year
 18 1993.”.

19 **SEC. 3. SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORIZATION FOR GRANTS**
 20 **UNDER SECTION 306(a)(2) OF THE CONSOLI-**
 21 **DATED FARM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT**
 22 **ACT.**

23 (a) SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORIZATION.—In addition
 24 to amounts otherwise authorized to be appropriated, there
 25 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Agri-

1 culture for grants under section 306(a)(2) of the Consoli-
2 dated Farm and Rural Development Act not to exceed
3 \$300,000,000 for fiscal year 1993.

4 (b) WAIVER OF ANNUAL DOLLAR LIMITATION.—The
5 Secretary of Agriculture may use amounts appropriated
6 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to make grants
7 under section 306(a)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and
8 Rural Development Act, notwithstanding the dollar limita-
9 tion specified in such section 306(a)(2).

10 (c) ALLOCATION AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—All
11 amounts appropriated pursuant to subsection (a) of this
12 section shall be allocated to the States in accordance with
13 section 1940.582 (except subsection (i)) and section
14 1940.587 (except subsection (i)) of title 7, Code of Federal
15 Regulations (January 1, 1992, edition), and all such
16 amounts shall be available to the Secretary of Agriculture,
17 upon the enactment of this section, for States to obligate
18 on an annual basis.

19 (d) RESERVED FUNDS TO BE USED FOR TECHNICAL
20 ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING GRANTS.—The Secretary of
21 Agriculture shall use the amounts appropriated pursuant
22 to subsection (a) of this section that are reserved pursuant
23 to section 306(a)(16)(C) of the Consolidated Farm and
24 Rural Development Act, for grants under section
25 306(a)(16)(A) of such Act.

